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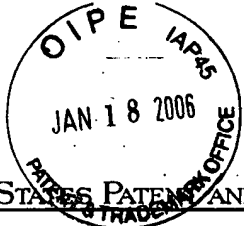
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Title

Clutch control apparatus for hybrid vehicle

Preliminary Class

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/JP2003/014677	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: November 18, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: November 19, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION: CLUTCH CONTROL APPARATUS FOR HYBRID VEHICLE		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Yusuke TATARA et al.		
Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>XX</u> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <u> </u> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <u>XX</u> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <u>XX</u> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <u>XX</u> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u> </u> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <u>XX</u> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <u> </u> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <u>XX</u> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>XX</u> is attached hereto. b. <u> </u> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <u>XX</u> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u> </u> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <u> </u> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <u> </u> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <u>XX</u> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <u> </u> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <u>XX</u> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <u> </u> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 		
ITEMS 11. TO 20. BELOW CONCERN OTHER DOCUMENT(S) OR INFORMATION INCLUDED:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <u>XX</u> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 together with the international search report, PTO/SB/08 and 2 documents. 12. <u>XX</u> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. ASSIGNEE NAME AND ADDRESS: HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD., Tokyo, Japan Please publish the assignee data with the application. 13. <u> </u> A preliminary amendment. 14. <u> </u> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76 15. <u> </u> A substitute specification. 16. <u> </u> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. <u> </u> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. <u> </u> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <u> </u> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <u>XX</u> Other items or information: 22 sheets of drawings. 		

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the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked

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(List prior foreign applications. See note A)

Priority Claimed

<u>2002-334991</u> (Number)	<u>Japan</u> (Country)	<u>19/11/2002</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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